

## Senate Resolution 176

By: Senator Meyer von Bremen of the 12th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Deion Branch, Super Bowl XXXIX Most Valuable Player;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Albany native and Monroe High School standout Deion Branch was named  
4 Super Bowl XXXIX Most Valuable Player after his team, the New England Patriots, defeated  
5 the Philadelphia Eagles 24-21 at Jacksonville, Florida's Alltel Stadium; and

6 WHEREAS, his performance in the game tied a Super Bowl record with 11 catches,  
7 accounting for 133 yards; and

8 WHEREAS, he was also honored by the NFL as player of the week after the Patriots' AFC  
9 championship win over the Pittsburgh Steelers; and

10 WHEREAS, fans in Albany, and especially his former Monroe teammates and Head Coach  
11 Vernorris Bradley, have watched with excitement and pride as this promising athlete rose to  
12 greatness; and

13 WHEREAS, he is the first Albany native to earn Most Valuable Player honors in a  
14 professional championship series since 1986; and

15 WHEREAS, his hard work and commitment to his team and his sport have set a fine example  
16 of sportsmanship for all young athletes in the State of Georgia.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
18 join in commending New England Patriot and Albany native Deion Branch, and extend their  
19 hearty congratulations on his Super Bowl victory and upon being named Super Bowl XXXIX  
20 Most Valuable Player.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Deion Branch.